Studies on Single-Source Capacitated Facility Location Problem of Two-Echelon

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Abstract—Facility location problem is an important part of integer programming problems, with application in the field of telecommunications, and transportation industry. This thesis discussed the facility location problem with two echelon. Each second echelon facilities have limited capacity and can only be supplied by a facility on second echelon. Each customer is served only by a single facility in second echelon. The number and location of the second echelon of customers to facilities determined echelon two simultaneous. This study addresses the question of decision-making in designing cargo distribution system where there is a two-echelon distribution system the two-level structure, components and issues related decisions. The purpose of the model in this study is to determine the location of the facilities at each echelon which is a distribution facility and cargo capacity at the facility so that can minimize the total cost of the minimum as the optimal solution of the modeling.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Coordination between existing facilities in a supply chain distribution of production activities is an important issue in determining the obtained optimal profit. We need a policy or an effective model to ensure that the used system is the optimal system to cover the level consumer demand in the competitive market conditions at this time. The basic idea of optimizing both operating costs and the cost of consumer facility was first introduced by [1]. Later, [2] provide a model based on the production rate with some rules of the company. The model then extended by [3] and successfully developed a framework for improving the availability of the model on production-distribution activities where existing facilities consist of single facility and single consumer. Furthermore, [4] describes a rule Consignment Stock (CS) on the issue of setting a model of an enterprise inventory (VMI) and indicates that the rule has a performance better than the uncoordinated optimization models. The model developed has been implemented for a single industry case in situations where the buyer is a buyer’s double.

Facility location problem, supply chain and chosen the feasible facilities problem is a common issue that has been discussed in operational research area. In this study, it is assumed there is a supply chain consist of a main facility and the point of consumer demand is assumed to be a deterministic demand function. The purpose of the model is to obtain and determine the location of the influenced by the number of facilities with a capacity of two types of facilities, in other word, echelon of two different types that used in facility location and routes that exist in each echelon. This study is based on the decomposition of Tabu Search seen as a problem of allocating two routes where each route decomposed into a limited facility location problems. In a facility location problem is not capacity, it is assumed that each facility has no limit on the capacity of the facility. for this case, each consumer demand can be met right from the facility. The development of this issue, where the issue involves two echelons on facility, the facility location problem is not capacity of two echelons. This issue discusses the supply chain inventory with the delivery process of the facility in the first echelon to the point of consumer demand through the facility in second echelon. Objective function as the purpose of modeling this problem is determine the number of facilities in each echelon location, the flow of product distribution between facilities at different echelons and determining the distribution of consumers to facility in the second echelon. For the capacity of the facility location problem, each facility has a certain capacity constraints. A case of this issue is a point where there is unmet consumer demand right only of the facility, which is known as the problem of the location of the source facility. This study has been discussed previously by [5].

This study addresses the decision-making in designing cargo distribution system where there is a two-echelon distribution system the two-level structure, components and issues of related decisions. The obtained results are formulated in a mixed integer programming form as a two-echelon location problem. The purpose of this study is to determine the location of the facilities at each echelon of a distribution facility and cargo capacity at the facility with the aim is to minimize the total cost as the optimal solution of the modeling. Some constraints are used in the model where each facility is in echelon. This study unfold as follows. In Section 2 discussed some of the literature and study of theory relating to the issue of two-echelon facility location models. Chapter 3 describes the modified model of the location two echelons of facilities at the cargo distribution systems with conclusions and suggestions is given in Chapter 4.
II. REVIEWS OF TSCFLP MODEL

Many heuristic algorithms and the approach taken to TSCFLP which has been proposed in the literature. Completion method and algorithm heuristic approaches have been proposed by [6], then with a heuristic relaxation Lagrangian by [7]. Various heuristic approaches and appropriate solution to TSCFLP one of which is the Lagrangian relaxation. The issue Capacitated Facility Location Problem (CFLP) is part of the facility location problem which includes the capacity for the facility. The issue of the location of the facility capacity is also known in combinatorial optimization problem which is applied in facility opening of a set so that customers can minimize operating costs and transportation. Given the capacity of a facility cannot be serve any demand at the facility. In this case needs to be done restrictions that meet the demand of each customer. and each supply facilities cannot exceed the capacity of the facility is opened. CFLP Applications include planning, distribution, location and area planning production, and in the design of telecommunications networks [8].

CFLP contains of a set of m, any potential location with capacitcated facility, and n, is the total covered consumer demand at any available facility. For example, given a set \( J = \{1, 2, 3, \ldots, m\} \) is the total number of facilities with \( i \in J \) with capacity \( a_i \) and \( K = \{1, 2, 3, \ldots, n\} \) is the total number of consumer with the demand rate, \( b_j \), and \( J \in K \).

The facility cost of facility \( i, j \), and \( c_{ij} \) is the transportation cost from \( i \) to \( j \). \( x_{ij} \) represents total flow of facility \( i \) to consumer \( j \). Flow of facility \( i \) to consumer \( j \) denoted as \( \text{arc}(i,j) \) and variable \( y \) that defined as follows:

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y_{ij} = \begin{cases} 
1; & \text{if the facility is open} \\
0; & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
\]

Thus, the CFLP is formulated as

\[
Z = \min \sum_{k \in K} \sum_{j \in J} c_{kj} x_{kj} + \sum_{j \in J} f_j y_j \tag{2.1}
\]

\( Z \) is a function with purpose is to cover the demand of each customer and facility constraints in supply of all customers

Lagrangian relaxation combined with subgradient optimization is one of the most widely used approach in determining the solution for combinatorial problems. Details and the application of Lagrangian relaxation proposed by [9] and [10]. It has been widely used techniques in solving several variants of the problems location facilities. Including the location of facilities with a capacity not raised by [11]. The issue of the location of the capacitated facility discussed by [12] and issue of the source of the facility location and capacity by [13], [8], [14], [15] and [4], [5] Considering six different Lagrangian heuristic to resolve TSCFLP. All heuristics are implemented and the results show that the Lagrangian heuristic gives the limit under which much better than those obtained from the linear programming relaxation. Get a feasible solution limits the upper limit can also be done efficiently. The Branch and Bound indicates that the algorithm is based on Lagrangian relaxation is an efficient approach. The issue of the two-echelon of capacitated facility location is an extension of the issue of the capacity facility location source. In this issue first of all put the facility and the second echelon simultaneous manner, where each facility has a capacity in the second echelon limited and can be supplied by only one facility in the first echelon. Each customer is served by only one facility in the second echelon. The first facility as the depot and later referred to as the second echelon facilities just as facilities so that we have the facilities, depots and formulate the consumer. For the issue of the second echelon of the capacity facility location source there is some symbol or notation to note:

\[
I = \{1, \ldots, m\} \quad : \text{set of total consumer at any location} \\
K = \{1, \ldots, o\} \quad : \text{set of any potential facilities} \\
a_j \quad : \text{consumer demand} \forall j \in I \\
b_i \quad : \text{capacity of facility} \forall i \in I \\
f_{ik} \quad : \text{cost of facility} \ i \ to \ potential \ facility \ k, \forall i \in I, k \in K \\
c_{ijk} \quad : \text{cost of consumer} \ j \ from \ potential \ facility \ k \\
g_k \quad : \text{cost of potential facility} \ at \ k
\]

and for the decision variable, they used

\[
y_{ik} = \begin{cases} 
1; & \text{if the facility is open at } k \\
0; & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
\]

\[
x_{ijk} = \begin{cases} 
1; & \text{if the facility } i \ at \ k \ is \ covered \ consumer \ j \\
0; & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
\]

\[
z_k = \begin{cases} 
1; & \text{whether potential facility at } k \\
0; & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases}
\]

Thus, this problem is formulated as follows

\[
P = \min \sum_{i \in I} \sum_{k \in K} c_{ijk} x_{ijk} + \sum_{i \in I} \sum_{k \in K} f_{ik} y_{ik} + \sum_{k \in K} g_k z_k \tag{2.2}
\]

III. OUR MODELS

This study provides a model formulation to the problem as a facility location decision-making process so as to obtain an optimal solution approaching from the existing objective function. This study is divided into two issue. First, determine the description of the distribution system cargo at a facility with a capacity of two echelons. And second, to develop a program mixed-integer programming
as the basic idea in determining the model formulation two-
echelon facility location problems. Constraint as a 
boundary problem in this modeling is that each facility is 
on the second echelon has supply is limited and can only be 
supplied by the facility back to the first echelon. The model 
can be used in determining the location of the facility in 
each echelon which is the capacity of facilities and 
distribution of cargo on facilities. The purpose or objective 
function of the model is to minimize the total cost of the 
minimum as the optimal solution of the modeling.

In the cargo distribution systems in facilities with a 
capacity of two echelons, there some of the definitions, 
limitations and mathematical notation used in this research. 
Some of the definitions we used are as follows.

1. The first facility is a major facility that has greater 
capacity than the second facility. The facility is 
assumed to have been allocated away from the point 
of consumer demand. In this study, it is assumed that 
there are constraints in the distribution of cargo in the 
first facility with the vehicle in the first echelon;

2. The second facility has a lesser capacity of supply and 
and the cargo distribution is only for the second echelon 
of the first facility;

3. For the final object of the chain cargo distribution 
system, consumers are the end point of the system 
with the assumption that the process of delivery to the 
consumer must be covered at least by one of the first 
or second echelon.

Based on the purpose of this study, given some 
assumptions as follows.

1. It is assumed that the discrete demand of each 
consumer is given;

2. All cargo distribution system begins with the first 
facility, the main facility of the distribution system. 
Vehicles in the first echelon do the distribution 
activities of the first facilities to the vehicle in the 
second echelon. On the second echelon, cargo 
distribution system will be distributed it the 
consumer as an end point end of the system;

3. Each both first and second facility facilities has its 
capacity, with assumption that the first facility has a 
greater capacity than the second.

A. Some Notations

Assume we have an undirected graph, \( G = (N, A) \) with

\[ N = \{P \cup S \cup Z\} \quad \text{and} \quad P = \{p\} : \text{set of any available first facility} \]

\[ S = \{s\} : \text{set of any available second facility} \]

\[ Z = \{z\} : \text{set of given consumers} \]

\[ T = \{t\} : \text{set of number of vehicle at first echelon} \]

\[ V = \{v\} : \text{set of number of vehicle at second echelon} \]

\[ f_i : \text{given value of capacitated facility at } i \in P \cup S \]

\[ F_i : \text{cost of facility at } i \in P \cup S \]

\[ v_i : \text{given value of capacitated vehicle at } i \in T \cup V \]

\[ V_i : \text{cost of vehicle at } i \in T \cup V \]

\[ C_{ij} : \text{transportation cost from } i \text{ to } j \]

\[ D_z : \text{demand point at any location, } z \in Z \]

\[ L_i : \text{a nonnegative continuous variable that ensure at} \]

\[ \text{least one of facility } i \text{ at } S \text{ is subset of facility at } P \]

Then, we also used some decision making process of 
chosen the location and assignment of the vehicles from 
each echelon with the available capacitated facility by 
using 0-1 integer programming as follows.

\[ t'_{ij} = \begin{cases} 
1; & \text{if } i \text{ precedes } j \text{ at first echelon by } t \\
0; & \text{otherwise} 
\end{cases} \quad (3.1) \]

\[ x_{ij} = \begin{cases} 
1; & \text{if } i \text{ precedes } j \text{ at first echelon by } v \\
0; & \text{otherwise} 
\end{cases} \quad (3.2) \]

\[ w_z = \begin{cases} 
1; & \text{if consumer } z \text{ distributed to } s \\
0; & \text{otherwise} 
\end{cases} \quad (3.3) \]

\[ y_i = \begin{cases} 
1; & \text{if facility is available at location } i \\
0; & \text{otherwise} 
\end{cases} \quad (3.4) \]

\[ u_i = \begin{cases} 
1; & \text{if vehicle at location } i \text{ is available} \\
0; & \text{otherwise} 
\end{cases} \quad (3.5) \]

Thus, we can formulated our model as follows.

\[
\min \sum_{p \in P} f_p + \sum_{v \in V} v_x + \sum_{i \in I} V_{ij} + \sum_{v \in V} \sum_{i \in S} \sum_{j \in Z} C_{ij} x_{ij}
\]

\[
+ \sum_{v \in V} \sum_{j \in S} \sum_{j \in Z} C_{ij} t_{ij} P_{ij}
\]

s.t

\[
\sum_{v \in V} \sum_{j \in Z} x_{ij} = 1, \forall z \in Z \quad (3.7)
\]

\[
\sum_{i \in S} x_{ij} - \sum_{j \in Z} x_{ij} = 0, \forall j \in Z \cup S, \forall v \in V \quad (3.8)
\]

\[
L_i - L_j + (|S| + |Z|) \sum_{v \in V} x_{ij} \leq (|S| + |Z| - 1), \forall i, j \in Z \cup S, i \neq j \quad (3.9)
\]

\[
L_i - L_j + (|P| + |S|) \sum_{v \in V} t_{ij} \leq (|P| + |S| - 1), \forall i, j \in S \cup P, i \neq j \quad (3.10)
\]

\[
f_{ij} \geq 0 \quad (3.11)
\]
The objective function (3.6) is to minimize total cost of both first and second facility location due to cost of vehicle and transportation capacity of the two echelon. Constraint (3.7) shows that for each demand consumer, one by vehicles at second echelon, v, Eq. (3.8) shows that for each vehicles, v, exists some arc at location i, Eq. (3.9) gives the constraint of capacity from first echelon to second echelon. Eq. (3.10) is constraint of first facility and Eq. (3.11) represents any extended and nonnegative constraint in the model.

IV. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper we propose a new model of the facility location with a capacity of the two echelons with single source. This problem is include NP-hard problem and it is formulated by a mixed integer programming formulation and applied it with a heuristics method. The obtained model can be used on the facility location problem of the system with the application to the cargo distribution facility capacity by considering the presence of two echelon in the facility.

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